

DDI #3053-77//

7 SEP 1977

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

VIA : Acting Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

FROM : Sayre Stevens
Deputy Director for Intelligence

SUBJECT : Recognition for Naming Antarctic Peak after
Leonard H. Dykes, CIA Retiree

1. Actions Requested:

- a. That you approve and sign the attached letter to Mr. Dykes which recognizes the honor paid him for his contribution to US Antarctic activities.
- b. That you approve the recommendations in paragraph 3 below.

2. Background: The US Board on Geographic Names has released a list of approved names which include the designation of an Antarctic mountain peak after Leonard Dykes, an Agency employee who retired in 1973. The Board's decision commemorates Mr. Dykes' 20-year service as the CIA representative to a succession of interagency Antarctic policy committees. (Mr. Dykes was awarded the Agency's Intelligence Medal of Merit in 1973 in recognition of this and other fine work during his career.)

STAT This decision of the Board was recently brought to the attention of Messrs. [] and Herb Hetu who suggested that this episode might be recognized in one or more of the following ways:

- a. letter from you to Mr. Dykes recognizing this honor
- b. brief item in the DCI Notes
- c. bulletin board display in Headquarters Building
- d. general or special press release


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3. Recommendation: We believe some recognition of this event would be appropriate, both to honor Mr. Dykes for his exceptional service and to give some publicity to the policy support work performed by analysts in CIA. To this end we have prepared the following attachments:

- a. letter from you to Mr. Dykes (Attachment 1)
- b. proposed text for bulletin board display (Attachment 2)

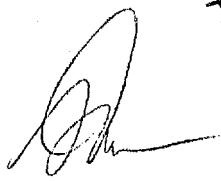
We do not believe it would be appropriate to seek external publicity associating the CIA with US Antarctic activities. Either the press or foreign governments might well choose to build a story questioning the motives behind US intelligence involvement in a continent where military activities are forbidden by treaty and where international scientific cooperation is the rule. An Antarctic Treaty Consultative Meeting is scheduled to begin in London on 19 September. Now would be a particularly inappropriate time to publicize any Agency role in Antarctic matters.

Mr. Dykes prefers not to have an external press release, but concurs in our recommendations for internal release.


Sayre Stevens

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Attachments: 2
As stated above

APPROVED: 
Director of Central Intelligence

DISAPPROVED: _____
Director of Central Intelligence

DATE: 10 SEP 1977

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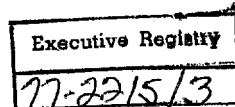
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Washington, D. C. 20505



10 September 1977

Dear Mr. Dykes,

What a wonderful tribute to you and your distinguished achievements to have a landmark in Antarctica named for you! Congratulations!

Excellence has been the hallmark of your career, as I've discovered in looking at the record of your service with CIA. Obviously, the U.S. Board on Geographic Names agrees in recognizing and commemorating your unique contributions to the advancement of knowledge of Antarctica.

I am asking that an appropriate display be posted in our Headquarters Building so that we will know where "Dykes Peak" is, and that all of our employees may share in the knowledge of the honor accorded a retired colleague.

Again, our congratulations. Best wishes for your continued satisfaction and happiness in your retirement.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Stansfield Turner".

STANSFIELD TURNER

Mr. Leonard H. Dykes



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ATTACHMENT 1

Mr. Leonard H. Dykes



Dear Mr. Dykes:

My attention has been directed to the honor that was conferred upon you by the US Board on Geographic Names. I have also been informed of your long and distinguished service in this Agency. Excellence obviously has been a hallmark of your entire professional career.

In using your name to designate a prominent landmark in Antarctica, the Board on Geographic Names has fittingly recognized and commemorated your contributions to the advancement of knowledge of that area. It also is a tribute to the effective support you gave in the development of US foreign policy in Antarctica. Please accept my congratulations and my very best wishes for continued happiness and satisfaction in your retirement.


Yours sincerely,

STANSFIELD TURNER

DYKES PEAK

The US Board on Geographic Names has approved the naming of an Antarctic mountain peak after Leonard H. Dykes, a retired Central Intelligence Agency DDI analyst. This Board decision commemorates Mr. Dykes' 20-year service as CIA representative to a succession of interagency Antarctic policy committees, in which role he was primarily responsible for providing assessments of Soviet actions and intentions in the Antarctic area. The new Dykes Peak is a 2,200-meter mountain located at 77°13'S, 161°01'E, about 150 kilometers west of the main US Antarctic station, McMurdo.

ATTACHMENT 2

 <p>Photograph of Leland Dykes</p>	<p>Explanatory note</p>	<p>Letter from DCI</p>
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<p>Map</p> <p><i>ribon</i></p> <p><u>Dykes Peak</u></p>

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

Date: 31 August 1977

TO: DDI
Info: Herb Hetu

Executive Registry

FROM:

77-2815

SUBJECT: Dykes Peak, or Bust!

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REMARKS:

The Director recently expressed an interest in being more alert to notes to people to thank them for services rendered, offer special recognition, etc.

Isn't the Dykes Peak episode Dr. Stevens cited at today's staff meeting a good case? I believe it would be appropriate for the DCI to send him a letter acknowledging the honor paid him; for possibly a brief item in the DCI Notes and/or bulletin board display material; and, while we may want to think twice before going the press release route, why can't we give this some publicity to show that the CIA people can wear "white hats" and be recognized for their good work--if not a general press release we could at least alert some specialized writers or publications and give some publicity to the resulting material.

In short, I believe the DCI would welcome the opportunity to send Mr. Dykes a letter and recommend that DDI forward a draft for this purpose, and also consider providing Hetu some material for use in the DCI Notes and/or publicity via other means.

ACTION



Herbert E. Hetu
Assistant for Public Affairs

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STAT To:

INFO: DDI

SUBJ: DYKES PEAK LEAK

We mentioned this to ABC for use in connection with the story on cartography they are planning to film for 30th Anniversary Show on Good morning America.

We would welcome any and all details from DDI.

Herb

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